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For: ***DIAGNOSTICS AND THERAPY OF EPSTEIN-BARR VIRUS IN AUTOIMMUNE DISORDERS***

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed July 18, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

In The Claims

27. (three times amended) A peptide composition comprising a peptide molecule consisting of about forty amino acids or less and comprising a peptide sequence selected from the group consisting of PPPGRRP (SEQ ID NO:1), GRGRGRGG (SEQ ID NO:2), RGRGREK (SEQ ID NO:3), GAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGA (SEQ ID NO:7), GPQRRGGDNHGRGRGRGRGGGRPG (SEQ ID NO:13), GGSGSGPRHRDGVRRPQKRP (SEQ ID NO:14), RPQKRPSC (SEQ ID NO:15), QKRPSCIGCKGTHGGTG (SEQ ID NO:16),